IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE In re Patent Application of Atty Dkt. 4389-5 C# - M# . ACKLEY, JR. et al. TC/A.U. 2877 Serial No. 10/705,82 Examiner: Hoa Q. Pham Filed: November 13, 2003: Date: June 30, 2004 LASER UNIT, INSPECTION UNIT, METHOD FOR INSPECTING AND Title: ACCEPTING/REMOVING SPECIFIED PELLET-SHAPED ARTICLES FROM A CONVEYER MECHANISM, AND PHARMACEUTICAL ARTICLE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir: RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon. Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached. Fees are attached as calculated below: Total effective claims after amendment 65 minus highest number previously paid for 65 (at least 20) =\$ 18.00 \$ 0.00 Independent claims after amendment minus highest number previously paid for \$ 86.00 \$ 0.00 9 (at least 3) =0 х If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$290.00 (ignore improper) 0.00 Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s) (\$110.00/1 month; \$420.00/2 months; \$950.00/3 months) \$ 0.00 Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$ 110.00 \$ 0.00 First/second submission after Final Rejection pursuant to 37 CFR 1.129(a) (\$770.00) \$ 0.00 ☐ Please enter the previously unentered , filed ☐ Submission attached Subtotal \$ 0.00 If "small entity," then enter half (1/2) of subtotal and subtract -\$ 0.00 Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee (\$180.00) \$ 0.00 Assignment Recording Fee (\$40.00) \$ 0.00 Other: 0.00 TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED 0.00

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In reply to the Restriction Requirement dated June 2, 2004, Applicants elect the invention according to Group I, covering claims 1-23, 25-37, 39-42, 44-53, 55-63, 85 and 86. The election is made with traverse as the entire complement of claims in this application, i.e., the examination of claims 87-90, will present no serious additional burden on the part of the Patent Office.

Prompt and favorable examination is earnestly solicited.

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